

Clayton-Ellison-Plums House
"Malmo Farm"
CE-1041
Near St. Augustine
Private

C. 1820-1830

Many 18th and 19th century Cecil County farms were owned by New Castle County Delaware landholders and the above property was operated by the Delaware Clayton Family. The early ownership and builder of this two story four bay flemish bond brick house is unclear at present but in all probability Joshua Clayton, who owned it at mid century, inherited the farm from his father Thomas Clayton in Oct. 1854 (Will Book 10/75) It is doubtful that either Thomas or Joshua lived permanently at the house since the family had extensive holdings in Delaware. In Item No. 8 of Joshua Clayton's will he bequeaths to his daughter Adelaide Young Ellison, wife of Charlse E. Ellison, the farm and tract whereon she now resides, containing 323 acres on Bohemia Manor. (will G 14/488) The will was probated in Dec. 1888* BUT THE 1877 LAKE ATLAS DESIGNATES THE Ellison farm, which implies that Adelaide and her husband had been living on the property for at least ten years.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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1 NAME

HISTORIC

Clayton - Ellison-Plumb House

AND/OR COMMON

MALMO FARM

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1455 Cayots Corner Road

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake City

☒

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

H. Donnon Sharp Plumb

Telephone #: 885-5033

STREET & NUMBER

9140 DuPont Building

CITY, TOWN

Wilmington

☒

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Delaware

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #: WAS 149

Folio #: 159

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Elisson-Plumb House c. 1820 is a two story four bay by one room hall/parlor flemish bond brick structure near St. Augustine, Md. The house faces south with the main gable running east/west. Within the last twenty years the house has had major additions to both gable ends which included a mid 18th century brick house that was dismantled and moved to its present location from Odessa, Delaware, to the east modern frame additions were added to accomodate modern kitchen facilities.

The main brick block rests on a fieldstone foundation with full cellar and is capped with a medium sloped wood shingle gable roof. A four course corbelled cornice stretches across at the base of each roof slope.

The south (main) facade is four bays across with an entrance in the second bay from the west. Nine over six sash illuminate the first floor and six over six sash light the second. Half round moldings frame both entrances and windows.

The gable ends are entirely covered with the previously mentioned additions but interior end brick stacks rise out of each wall. The north wall is covered by a two story shed porch but the brick is exposed under the porch roof.

The first floor woodwork has remained intact for the most part. The middle partition wall had been removed before the present owner's purchase of the property.

The east parlor mantel consists of reeded pilasters with reeded frieze blocks ~~above~~ and a plain central tablet. A molded shelf projects slightly at each end. A six panel cupboard fills the northeastern niche ^{next to the fireplace.} Chair rail extends around the room with a fairly simple molded cap and beaded base. The door and window surrounds have a cavetto backband with beaded inside corner.

The hall (west wall) mantel is slightly different with a cavetto molded opening ^{backband} ~~surround~~ with a slight ogee middle molding and beaded corner. The surround supports plain frieze blocks and a molded and broken shelf. A winder stair once rose in the northwestern corner but has been replaced with a dining room cupboard. A cupboard fills the southwestern niche but has lost its top doors.

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The second floor has been altered with the partitioning of a hall along the north wall since the winder stair was removed. Mid 19th century surrounds with shallow pendimented headers frame the doorways.

The west bedroom mantel has been removed but a small mantel remains in the east bedroom with a cavetto molded surround.

The attic framing consists of ^o common rafter system and the basement has been finished.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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RIOD**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES**BUILDER/ARCHITECT**

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Hall/parlor house plans are very unusual for the southern election districts of Cecil County. In fact this is the earliest known plan of its type in the general area. The Federal mantels are good examples of early 19th century design. The farm naturally appears on both historical maps of Cecil County. In 1877 the farm was owned by Charles S. Ellison who owned 370 acres around St. Augustine and who came from New Castle County, Delaware around 1868. In 1858 the farm was run by the Clayton family of Delaware.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul B. Touart Historic ~~Site~~ Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

9/24/80

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

TELEPHONE

398-0200 ext 150

CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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MICHAEL PLUMB - H. DONNAN SHARP PLUMB
MALMO FARM WAS 149/159
321.25 ACRES

PAULINA D. STEWART AND ALBERT G. J. STEWART
TO FEB 2, 1964
H. DONNAN SHARP

KNOWN AS THE "ELLISON FARM" 323 ACRES
ALSO BEING THE SAME LAND CONVEYED INTO PAULINA
D. STEWART (PAULINA DEAN KETCHUM BY DEED OF
J. SIMPSON DEAN AND PAULINA d.P. DEAN AUG 3, 1953
REC 96/463

VAS 62/266 EVA C. COOMBE (SINGLE WOMEN - ^{WILM.} ~~ELLIS~~) 6/30/1958

TO
PAULINA D. STEWART (CHRISTIANA HUNTER)
KNOWN AS THE ELLISON FARM

~~REC~~

WAS 22/263
~~REC~~

PAULINA D. STEWART AND ALBERT
TO

EVA C. COOMBE 6/23/1958
ELLISON FARM 321.2 ACRES

REC 96/463 J. SIMPSON DEAN AND PAULINA d.P. DEAN
TO AUG 3, 1953

PAULINA D. STEWART
"ELLISON FARM"

REV. 12/191 RICHARD B. WARBURTON FEB. 11, 1939

TO

J. SIMPSON DEAN

MC

VEB. 12/191

RICHARD B. WARBURTON

FEB. 11, 1939

TO

J. SIMPSON DEAN

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"ELLISON FARM"

JUNIOUS S. DEAN AND PAULINA DEAN FEB 10, 1939

VEB 12/190

+

RICHARD B. WARBURTON

ELLISON FARM 323 A.

VEB 12/189

JAMES F. EVANS, TRUSTEE

FEB 9, 1939 -

TO

12,000.00 323 A.

JUNIOUS S. DEAN + PAULINA D. DEAN

EQUITY CASE - SEPT. 6, 1938

BETWEEN L. FRANK ELLISON AND WIFE, COMPLAINANTS

AND CHAS. S. ELLISON, DEFENDANTS

JAMES F. EVANS, TRUSTEE

CASE NO. 5259, 11/268 -

PROBATED DEC. 21
1888

EX. HENRY
CLAYTON

2 14/488

JOSHUA CLAYTON (OF THOMAS) MIDDLETOWN

TO

NOV. 18, 1887

ADELAIDE Y. ELLISON (DAUGHTER

WIFE OF CHAS. S. ELLISON

323 ACRES, PART LYING ON SOUTH SIDE OF
MOORE'S RUN ROAD - ORIG. TRACT COMPRISING 393 A.

~~10/540~~

JOSHUA CLAYTON

~~FROM SUSAN L. FERRIS NOV. 2/407~~

~~FROM JAMES W. DeCOURT DEED 4/688~~

County of 1858
179 ACRES?

to ~~Jacob Toms~~ ^{MOORE} ~~DEED~~ ^{WILL} ~~5/4/8~~
FROM James T. McCullough DEED HHM 9/5/94

James L Clayton TO THOMAS CLAYTON DEED JS 19/111

CE-1041 ?

~~FROM WINFRED S. WAY~~ ^{DEED} ~~ANM 1/267~~
FROM LYTTLETON S. CRIPPER ^{DEED} ~~WHR 7/25~~
~~FROM CHAS. F. FOLKERS~~ ^{WHR} ~~CHH 1/489~~
~~FROM JERRY WARISK~~ ^{DEED} ~~WHR 2/376~~

WILL OF JOSHUA CLAYTON - DEVISE
ITEM 8: I GIVE AND BEQUEATH TO MY
DAUGHTER ADELAIDE YOUNG ELLISON, WIFE
OF CHAS. E. ELLISON, THE FARM AND TRACT
WHEREON SHE NOW RESIDES, CONTAINING
323 A. SITUATED ON BOHEMIA MANOR
CECIL CO., AND BEING PART LYING ON
THE SOUTH SIDE OF MOORE'S RUN ROAD,
OF THE WHOLE TRACT COMPRISING 393 A.
AND WHICH TRACT HEREBY DEVISED TO MY
SAID DAUGHTER ADELAIDE IS BOUNDED
ON THE NORTH BY THE MOORE RUN RD.
AND LAND FORMERLY OF RICHARD H.
BAYARD, DECEASED, ON THE EAST BY LAND
FORMERLY OF HENRY CARIER, DECEASED,
AND LAND LATELY OF THOMAS E. CLAYTON
AND NOW OF ONE DRENNEN, ON THE
SOUTH BY THE MANOR ROAD TO ST.
AUGUSTINE CH. AND ON THE WEST BY
LANDS FORMERLY OF RICHARD H. BAYARD

H.M. 4/23 IT APPEARS FROM TAX RECORDS THAT
JOSHUA CLAYTON AMASSED HIS LAND HOLDINGS IN

H.M. 4/13 IT APPEARS FROM TAX RECORDS THAT
 Joshua Clayton AMASSED HIS LAND HOLDINGS IN
 MID CENTURY SINCE NO ASSESSMENT APPEARS IN
 1858 UNDER HIS NAME ALTHOUGH OTHER CLAYTONS ARE
 PROBABLY LISTED. THOMAS CLAYTON X
 JOHN L. CLAYTON ?

LAND WAS PURCHASED AROUND 1860 FROM ^{ANN} ~~Emma~~
 OLDHAM BY 178 ACRES BUT IT IS NOT
 DEFINITE ^{WHAT} ~~WAS~~ PARCEL THIS IS SINCE EXACT
 ACREAGE CHANGED w/ JOSHUA CLAYTON'S LAND HOLDINGS

D 11/339 JOHN L. CLAYTON EX. ELLEN CLAYTON AUG 26, 1867
 THOMAS CLAYTON ADMIN SARAH J. CLAYTON DEC 10, 1878
 THOMAS L. CLAYTON ADMIN SA. A LEWIS 5/25/18 ?

10/75 CLAYTON, THOMAS EX. JOSHUA CLAYTON OCT. 18, 1854
 (TOWN OF NEW CASTLE)

GRAND DAUGHTER ADELAIDE YOUNG

JEANNETTE M. YOUNG

BEQUEATH AND TO SON ~~Joshua~~ CLAYTON ALL
 THE REST AND RESIDUE OF ~~my~~ ESTATE.

JOSHUA CLAYTON OF THOS. 1887

178 A.	20	3560	BLOS	1200	15
400	30	12,000	"	2,000	65
					95
					114
					178
					20
					3560

JOSHUA CLAYTON 1880

178 A	20	3,660	BLOS	1,200	4760
400 A	30	12,000	BLOS	2,000	14,000
65 A	19	1,950	BLOS	300	2,250

JOSHUA CLAYTON 1875

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284 A BRICK DWELLING 15,620

400 A FRAME " 15,000

116 A FRAME " 6,380

70 A FRAME " 5,920

1878 ELLISON, CHAS. S. 320 A @ 30 9,600 BRICK DWELLING - BARN 12,180

JOSHUA CLAYTON 1867

110 FRAME DWELLING 9,000

170 FRAME " 5,950

400 BRICK 22,000

400 FRAME DWELLING 15,500

JOSHUA CLAYTON 1870
OR 1865

110 FRAME 9,000

SAME AS ABOVE EXCEPT FOR NAME

JOSHUA CLAYTON 1862

128 ACRES LAND 3050

JOSHUA CLAYTON 1861

178 ACRES 3050

JOSHUA CLAYTON 1860 3,500

178 ACRES FROM AND OZDITAM

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CORPS OF ENGINEERS

5863 III SE
(ELKTON)

47'30"

433

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St Augustine

ROAD

Cem

BM

70

x 84

69

ST AUGUSTINE

80

Landing Strip

70

40

70

80

20

76

75

70

DELAWARE
MARYLAND
NEW CASTLE CO
CECIL CO

Great

CREEK

EMIA

Tidal Flat

60

69

NECK

71

ROAD

69

Cecilton Auto

NECK

68